

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
☒ Benton ☐ East St. Louis

☐ INITIAL APPEARANCE ☐ ARRAIGNMENT ☒ CHANGE OF PLEA ☐ PLEA TO INFORMATION

CRIMINAL NO: 22-cr-40007-JPG DATE: 7/13/2023 TIME: 20 minutes

USA vs MICHAEL E. PIERCE
☒ Present ☐ Custody ☒ Bond

JUDGE: J. Phil Gilbert, U.S. District Judge

REPORTER: Amy Richardson

COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT: Ankoor Shah, AFPD
☒ Present ☒ Appointed ☐ Retained ☐ Waived

COURTROOM DEPUTY: Tina Gray

GOVERNMENT COUNSEL: Casey E. A. Bloodworth, AUSA

☒ Defendant present.

☒ Defendant sworn.

☒ Indictment read to Defendant.

☒ Defendant advised of constitutional rights, nature of charge and possible penalties.

☒ Defendant withdraws plea of not guilty as to Count(s) 1 of the Indictment.

☒ Plea: ☒ Guilty as to Count(s) 1 of the Indictment.
☐ Not Guilty as to Count(s) _____

☒ No Plea Agreement ☐ Plea Agreement ☐ Written

☒ Court accepts plea of guilty and adjudges defendant guilty.

☒ Matter referred to U.S. Probation for Presentence Investigation and Report.

☒ Disposition set on **October 26, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.** in Benton, Illinois before Judge J. Phil Gilbert.

☒ Bond continued until sentencing. While on bond, Defendant shall abide by the same terms and conditions set forth in the Order setting conditions of release.

☒ NOTE: No further notice will be given.